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THE SITUATION.

THE CONTEST BETWEEN THE TWO CAPITALS.

The Last Grand Effort of the Rebels.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 15, 1863.

If Lee's army had been assaulted upon and annihilated at Williamsport, on the critical day on which, wild with the fear of instant and fatal pursuit, it was madly plunging across the rushing and surging Potomac, contributing to the inevitable ruin of that turbid stream, a mingled wreck of wagons, harnessed horses, and men, with hetacombs of those piled on every howling shoal, and drowning men struggling with tangled and plunging steeds in the foaming jaws of a terrible death, where how would there be a rebel army to fight. But we must charitably admit that Meade could not know just when Lee, nerved and demoralized, was wildly and defiantly crossing the Potomac, any more than Lee could know just when Burnside and Hooker, repulsed, were recrossing the Rappahannock. Besides, those who ought to know, say that the force with which Meade repulsed Lee at Gettysburg, was not sufficient to attack him, positioned and fortified as he was at Williamsport, until he was reinforced as he was, on the day he advanced, to find the enemy gone. Why the Union army of the Potomac was not sufficiently and reasonably enough reinforced from the idle and available forces in South-Eastern Virginia and North Carolina, to meet and overwhelm the army of Lee, which was so long known to be advancing upon Pennsylvania, is an inquiry that will probably be searchingly and impartially made, when the matter can be agitated with an intelligent end to the rebellion. Even without reinforcements, it is now evident, Meade could have annihilated Lee at Williamsport, and put an end to the rebellion, if he had only followed the dictates of his own generalship, and not been unsatisfied Lee at Williamsport, and put an end to the rebellion, if he had only followed the dictates of his own generalship, and not been unsatisfied that he had the right then. But the failure has been made, and cannot now be helped, and there is no use fretting about it. Let it be a standing lesson to Union commanders, particularly the Commander of the Army of the Potomac, to hereafter never allow their superior judgment to be overruled by corps commanders who fail to comprehend the issue and the exigencies of the occasion, and to respond to the judgment, and the hopes and expectations of the army of the people. The army of Lee, we say, it may yet be all for the best. The army of Lee can not be annihilated, and an end put to the rebellion. We can not see that this had been done at the first battle of Bull Run, at the result of which we were so sadly disappointed, it may not have been permanently done, and the institution of slavery would certainly still have blackened he escutcheon of the nation. We have the consolation that the longer the end of the rebellion is delayed —so that it is not unnecessarily delayed—the more thorough and effectually is slavery, its unnatural cause, abolished, and the heresy of secession cured.

But what of the present situation, and consequent policy of the Government? In the southwest, the rebel forces are disintegrating well nigh used up and demoralized. Neither Johnston is able to wish and Grant, nor Bragg, Rosecrans. Their only chance of accomplishing anything in that quarter, or for the rebellion by his offensive position, is to compel Rosecrans to detach from the position of a culprit and an outcast; every military officer, high and low, for his commission, with the same alternative; every military and civil officer, and private soldier, for his back and current pay, be his dust much or little; the people at large, for the least available ears of their grain vested and blighted carnage, in contradistinction to its total worthlessness; and every citizen, officiary and private, military and civil, high and low, rich and poor, for all that he has or may have or be. That everything that is the Southern Confederacy, of every rank, in a state of condition, is made to feel personally interested in the success of the rebellion to the amount of all his property, all his money, all his time, and all his life. Only by these means can they hope to make a campaign scarcely more promising.

Now that the Mississippi is open, and in possession of Union gunboats and Banks is the pleasing the Cotton States safe for the rebel seat of government than Richmond, provided and fortified as that place is for the purpose, the main contest is now reduced to the point that it is as necessary for rebel armies to defend Richmond and capture Washington as it is for Union armies to defend Washington and capture Richmond. Mobile, Savannah and Charleston are only important, at present, as far as their fates directly or indirectly affect this main contest. That this is recognized as the ultimate contest by the rebels is evidenced by the late campaign of Lee into Pennsylvania. That this campaign was a failure, makes the contest between capital and capital no less the ultimate and inevitable one. Richmond is now rendered the only available capital of the rebels. As we have said their seat of government cannot now be removed to safer place, and that place, threatened as that place is as the capital, and threatened and exposed as all other points now are to Union arms. Richmond, the seat of government could not now be removed without entirely demoralizing the main rebel army in Virginia, and in a great measure the entire Confederate army and people.

Again we are brought to the conclusion that the main and final contest must be between these two capitals. That army that can put their only chance of success, now, is the strategic capture of Washington, and the breaking or crippling of the strong arm that is so persistently crushing them. What else can they attempt? They cannot spare their main army from the Potomac side of Richmond for any other purpose whatever—if they will make it before giving up their grand stake, pending on the event must be to them, from their past experience in peninsular, and from their staking all and then wagering all their strength into the single coup de main.

It is unnecessary for me to detail, at this late day, what the moral and political effect of the occupation of Washington, by the rebels, would be. All sane dissenters to the Federal Government and army, and putting the rebels in position to dictate terms of peace to the Federal Government and people. It would leave the foreign Minister resident here, already accredited to the de facto Government, and save their terms Governments the trouble of any further recognition, as well as the successful rebels any further anxiety on that subject—while the late Federal Government, in turn, would be without a local habitation and a name among the nations of the earth.

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FROM SPRINGFIELD.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

SPRINGFIELD, August 15, 1863.

A meeting of the Grand Castle of the K. G. C.'s, which took place in Chicago on the 4th of August, and which was adjourned from a meeting here on the 16th of June and many subsequent days, I learn did not possess any business of importance. It was composed of two delegates from each county in the State in which there is a castle of castles, and of these there are seventy-one. It lasted on that the Governor sent had got hold of a number of the order, and obtained such facts from him as made it dangerous to transact any business; so all that was done was to appoint a committee to investigate the case of the supposed informer. The members of the Grand Castle, while in Chicago, were very much alarmed at the dispatch which appeared in your paper on the day of the meeting, and this also had its effect in preventing the transaction of any business. A large number of delegates were in attendance, however, who returned to their homes very much disappointed. The main idea of the order is to stop the war just where it is. It was through the power of the order that the 3rd resolution passed the Democratic mass meeting. In that resolution are the principles of the order, as the oak is in the acorn.

Three secessionists were whipped in the streets to-day quite severely, one by a soldier whom he had grossly insulted, and the two others by individual citizens. A number of farmers made up a subscription for the soldier on the public square, after the occurrence, and presented it to him. The affrays for a time caused considerable excitement.

A letter from Vicksburg states that Col. Jodah, of the 114th Illinois, has resigned. His regiment parts with him with regret. No reason is given for his resignation, but it is probably due to the diminution of the strength of the regiment.

Brig. Gen. John Logan, formerly Colonel of the 32d Illinois, was in this city yesterday. He is at home on a brief leave of absence.

The yield of wheat per acre in this section of the State is not large, but the quality is excellent, the kernel well filled and fair. Wheat begins to come in quite freely, prices ranging for winter from 75 to 95 cents, very little of a quality that would bring over 90 cents. Oats bring 35 cents.

Attempts will no doubt be made to fill up the ranks of several of our old regiments by volunteering, previous to the draft. Among these are the 19th, Col. Hotchkiss' regiment, the 12th cavalry, and several of the artillery companies. Fifty muster rolls for militia companies were issued from the Adjutant General's Office to-day. Over one hundred have already been issued.

PROMOTIONS.

Capt. Lloyd Wheaton, Major, 8th, vice Sheets, resigned.

Major Josiah Sheetz, Lieut. Col., 8th, vice Stanton, resigned.

Capt. Samuel McMullen, Major, 12th, vice Yaw, resigned.

Capt. Ireland R. Allison, Major, 89d, vice McClanahan, promoted.

Capt. Geo. W. Trafton, Lieut. Col., 8th cavalry, vice Newhall, resigned.

Capt. Asa W. McDonald, Major, 7th cavalry, vice Noyes, resigned.

Capt. Henry C. Forbes, Major, 7th cavalry, vice Blackburn, promoted.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

ANOTHER UNION VICTORY.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 16, 1863.

The following dispatch was received to-day by telegraph from Springfield:

Coffee attacked moto-day. Hela complete. ly routed, with over thirty killed and wounded. We have a large number of prisoners, all his ammunition, wagons, commissary stores, arms, horses, &c. He has scattered all his command, except two hundred with himself. A force is following him up close. My forces struck moto-down; I cannot move further until I rest and feed.

[Signed,] E. C. CATHERWOOD,
Colonel 6th Cav., Y. M. S., Com.

Guerillas are again at work around Independence. Besides robbing the mail stage, as reported, they burned a quantity of tobacco at the Big Blue Landing, belonging to St. Louis merchants.

There was a scare at Houston, in Texas county, on Tuesday last, caused by the reported approach of four thousand rebels under Marmaduke. It turned out false.

About sixty straggling bushwhackers have been captured within a few days in Calloway county and a number shot, but how many is unknown.

The three Government camels, captured in Arkansas, were sold to-day for $150, $90 and $115 respectively. They cost $10,000.

FROM MILWAUKEE.

Burning of the Propeller Globe.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 15, 1863.

A private letter received here to-day, contains the intelligence of the burning of the Propeller Globe, in Saginaw Bay, on Thursday. The crew were all saved.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

MILWAUKEE, August 16, 1863.

The 37th regiment, of nine months' men, returned home to day. They number 500 men, and look very much improved in appearance for their sojourn down South. They will be mustered out of the service this week. A number of them have expressed their determination to re-enter the service as substitutes.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

PHILADELPHIA, August 16, 1863.

There is nothing new from the Army of the Potomac, nor from Charleston.

There are six regiments of colored troops on Morris Island, four contraband and two pay.

We expect to hear something definite from Sumter on Tuesday.

Two hundred conscript substitutes left Philadelphia, this evening, for Meade's army.

The United States gunboat DeSoto arrived at the navy yard, to day, from Key West. She brings no important news.

THE INDIAN WAR.

The Savages Routed—Official Dispatch from Gen. Pope.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The following has been received at the headquarters of the army here:

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 15, 1863.

To Maj. Gen. Halleck, General-in-Chief:

The following dispatch from Gen. Sibley, dated August 7th, is just received:

We had three desperate engagements with 2,000 Sioux warriors, in each of which they were routed and dispersed, with the loss of all their subsistence, &c. Our loss was small, while at least 150 of the savages were killed and wounded. Forty-six bodies have been found.

[Signed,] E. SIBLEY, Brig. Gen.

Gen. Sully marched from Fort Pierre for the Big Bend of the Missouri, on the 20th of July, with 1,000 cavalry, and will doubtless intercept the flying Sioux.

Little Crow, the principal chief and instigator of the Indian hostilities, has been killed and his son captured.

Indian hostilities east of the Missouri River may be considered at an end.

Signed, JOHN POPE, Maj. Gen.

From the Army of the Cumberland.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 15.—The Journal has the following, dated "Winchester, Tenn., August 13th":

"The 123d Illinois, of the mounted infantry, under Lieut. Col. Biggs, has returned from a trip into Alabama, with the aim of disbanding a party of bandits, near the junction of Jasper's fork and Paint Rock River. About three hundred of the 11th Texas were encountered and driven into, being followed closely a considerable distance down Paint Rock River. A number of prisoners were taken, and rebels resorting from their hiding places and joining the Union forces, the pursuit is continuing, until the command withdrew toward Winchester.

"Fugitives from the conscription say that every male citizen of all able to bear arms is forced into the rebel service and carried forward with all possible expedition to Rome, Ga., to the rendezvous of conscripts, they say, that Bragg will fall back on Rome, that Rosecrans is in Memphis in confinement, whose he will shortly have a trial.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

VICKSBURG, Aug. 13, Via CAIRO, Aug. 15 8pm.

No news of importance except the moving of troops by steamers.

The general health of the city and army is good.

Johnston is said to be at a point on the Chunky River where the Mobile and Ohio Railroad crosses.

There is great trepidation on account of Meade and Charleston among the rebels here, and they have lost all hopes of success.

Lieut. Henry W. Jones, formerly Regimental Quartermaster, has been promoted to Captain A. Q. M. of Gen. Grant's headquarters.

Lieut. Conklin, for a long time acting Quartermaster of 17th Army Corps, has also been promoted to Captain, A. Q. M.

Lieut. Hurlbut, in charge of clothing camp and prison equipage, also to Captain, A. Q. M.

Guerrillas patrol the Yazoo. There are no guerrillas on the river that we hear of.

The grape vine telegraph brings nought to cheer traitors. It is talked of on the streets that foreign powers will certainly recognize the Confederacy.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 13.—The squadron of Mobile is being largely increased.

The Mississippi river is still free from guerillas, but the Mobile papers say strong guerilla parties are being organized to annoy boats and destroy navigation. If this is carried out there will not be a house left within two miles either side the banks, and every guerilla caught will be summarily hung.

FROM CHARLESTON.

Latest from General Gillmore's Operations.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, August 16, 1863.

The latest news from Charleston is from C. C. Fulton, and says the steamer has just been ordered off to Fortress Monroe with important dispatches, and I am indebted to the Admiral for the opportunity of forwarding a hasty letter. My letters detailing operations of the past week are all on board the Ansgo, which is still detained, and I am unable to get possession of them.

We have had daily shelling of the rebel batteries, and abundance of responses, but nothing serious has occurred on either side. I, however, send you a hasty summary of the progress of affairs: The batteries of General Gillmore on shore are of the most extensive character, and most of them have been erected under the cover of darkness, by means of which precaution the enemy has no knowledge of their position, and will not until they open upon them.

We have erected an extensive battery, thoroughly enfilading the rebel batteries on James Island, which, in a measure, imperilled our principal work, and caused considerable annoyance before this projections were built for a few guns.

On Wednesday night one of our picket-boats, the cutter of the Wabash, under charge of Acting Master Holmes, whilst cruising around Sumter at night, came in contact with the rebel steamer Alice M. Holmes, and endeavored to board her, but was run into and eleven of his twenty three men were thrown overboard, and the boats of the men captured. Eight of them were picked up by Ensign Porter, in the cutter of the Ironsides.

FROM ST. PAUL.

Important Details from Gen. Sibley's Expedition.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

ST. PAUL, Minnesota, Aug. 16, 1863.

Col. Marshall, of the 7th Regiment, arrived last evening with important dispatches and correspondence from the Indian expedition. Gen. Sibley has fought three battles with the Sioux, in Dakotah Territory, five hundred miles northwest of St. Paul. The first battle was on the 24th of July. The Indians were posted, a thousand strong, on the summit of a high hill, and the battle is called the Battle of Big Mound.

Previous to the commencement, Sibley and Indian scouts went up to the hostile Indians, and Dr McAleer, of the mounted Rangers, joined them. While talking, an Indian shot the Doctor, killing him instantly. The scouts returned the fire, and the battle then commenced. The Indians were driven off the hill by Col. Marshall's regiment, and the artillery and cavalry then pursued them fifteen miles, killing a large number.

Through mistaking an order the cavalry returned to the camp the same night, which was the fatal mistake of the campaign, as two days were thus lost. The battle of Dead Buffalo Lake was on the 26th, fifteen miles beyond Big Mound. The Indians made a dash on our lines, but were repulsed by the 6th regiment of artillery and cavalry.

The battle of Stony Lake was fought on the 28th, twenty miles beyond. Seven hundred Indians, nearly all mounted, attacked our advance, but were repulsed and fled precipitately across the river.

When our forces reached the river next morning they found that the Indians had crossed with their families during the night. They threw away tons of dried meat, furs and every thing that would impede their flight.

As the season for buffalo hunting is over, this loss will be likely to create a famine among them.

They left over a hundred wagons on this side of the river. Owing to the rations being nearly exhausted, Sibly determined not to cross the river, and the expedition is now on its way home.

Our total loss in killed and wounded was slight, but only three were killed in battle.

Gen Sibley issued an order on the 31st, in which said to his soldiers: You have routed the miscreants who murdered our people last year, handed at they were with the powerful Sioux to the number of nearly 2,000 warriors, in three successive engagements, with heavy loss, and driving them in confusion and dismay across the Missouri River, leaving behind them all their vehicles, provisions, and skins designed for clothing, which have been destroyed. Forty-four bodies of warriors have been found, and many others concealed or taken away according to the custom of these savages, so that it is certain they lost in killed and wounded not less than some 120 to 150 men. All this has been accomplished with the comparatively trifling loss on our part of three killed and as many more wounded.

You have marched nearly six hundred miles from St. Paul, and the powerful bands of the Dakotas, who have hitherto held undisputed possession of the great prairies, have encamped to your valor and discipline and sought safety in flight.

The intense heat and drought have caused much suffering, which you have endured with out a murmur. The companies of the 6th, 7th, 9th and 10th regiments of Minnesota volunteers, and of the 1st regiment Minnesota mounted rangers, and the Sioux of the battery, have sustained the reputation of the State by their bravery and endurance, amidst unknown dangers and great hardships. It would be a gratification if these remorseless savages could have been pursued and literally extirpated for their atrocities and barbarities, merited such a full measure of punishment, but men and animals are alike exhausted after so long a march, and a further pursuit would only be futile and hopeless.

The military results of the campaign have been completely accomplished, for the savages have not only been destroyed in great number, and their main strength broken, but their prospects for the future are hopeless indeed, for they can scarcely escape starvation and flying in the approaching winter.

Lieut. Pierce, one of Gen. Sibly's aids, was one of the killed.

The expedition will reach here in a few days. Its termination without extermination leaves the field open for Major Hatch to follow up the partial success of Gen. Sibly and finish up the rare root and branch.

Gen. Swift has decided to withdraw his name as candidate for Governor. It will appear in the course to-morrow. Ex. Miller will probably be the Union candidate.

THE VERY LATEST NEWS.

MONDAY, 8 O'CLOCK A. M.

FROM CAIRO AND BELOW.

Matters at Memphis, Vicksburg Corinth, &c.

THE WAR IN ARKANSAS.

GEN. LOGAN'S SPEECH AT CAIRO.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, August 16, 1863.

General John A. Logan, at the request of 200 hundred citizens, made a speech here last night to one of the largest out door audiences ever assembled in Cairo. He spoke in front of the Springfield Block.

Gen. L. N. Haynie was chosen chairman of the meeting, and a number of the most prominent citizens vice-presidents, and N. H. Morris, secretary.

Gen. Haynie introduced the speaker, who was received with enthusiasm by the audience. His speech touched upon the most prominent topics of the day, using some of the arguments in favor of sustaining the Government used on former occasions of Carbondale, Chicago, and DuQuoin, but principally directing his sarcasm and logic at opposers and objectors to the war, and those who aided and abetted treason by counselling peace measures secretly, and encouraging deserters, and by words and acts committing all the treason they are capable of.

The speaker was frequently cheered, and listened to with attention for two hours and a half.

Gen. Haynie introduced a series of patriotic resolutions announcing the meeting unswervingly in favor of the active prosecution of the war, and using every and all means to put down the rebellion. There was no savor of peace in them. They were unanimously passed by the audience.

Rear Admiral Porter returned to Cairo, today, with his flag-ship Black Hawk. A salute was fired from the gunboats off our levee, and returned from the flag-ship, in honor of his presence for the first time in several months.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, Aug. 13th, 1863.

The steamer Mary E. Forsyth, from Memphis, brings dates from Helena to the 12th. Gen. Holmes, of the rebel service, is reported to have resigned, and is succeeded by Price. Holmes was unpopular in the army, and was called, by way of compliment, "Old Granny." Price is "Old Pap," by the same compliment. Holmes was still more unpopular after the attack upon Helena, as he boast the blame of that failure. The assassination of Bayou Meto and selection of Jacksonport and Augusta by the rebels as the centre of operations, would seem to indicate another expedition into Missouri.

Two weeks since, 40 of Col. Watkins' Federal cavalry made their way safely from Winsburg, on the St. Frances River, to Hopefield, opposite Memphis, and returned without loss. Citizens that cross the river frequently to Georgia and Alabama, and some also in Eastern Mississippi, North-western Louisiana, and Texas, agree in a short crop on the plantations of the planters from whom it was purchased, in shade or warehouses, these hundred feet from their buildings.

The *London Morning Post*, in an editorial on Canadian defences, says, we have the confident belief that the United States Federal Government will produce very a lutacy effects in Canada.

It is generally agreed that instead of a collective note to Russia, each of the three Cabinets will forward a separate note, identical in idea, to St. Petersburg. It is stated that Austria declines going beyond diplomatic action.

Marine Disasters.

BOSTON, Aug. 15.—The ship Electric Spark, from London, arrived to-day. She makes the following report:

On the 26th, fell in with the North American built bark Hiawatha. She was totally dismasted, and had the appearance of being stripped of all her riggings. She floated light on the water, with no appearance of damage to the hull further than the aforementioned loss of spars.

August 6th, in lat. 48 north, long. 68 west, fell in with the new St. John built ship Gloucestershire, from St. John, bound to London. She was water-logged, having been ashore on the Seal Islands, 18 days before. She took off twelve of the crew, who refused to proceed in the ship.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—During the past week the Board of Enrollment have had before them 478 cases, and of this number 206 have been exempted, and 161 offered substitutes, which were accepted. Of the original drafted 10 were accepted and 6 paid the $300 commutation. Thus, out of 478 drafted, 180 soldiers have been obtained.

The Court of Inquiry, to investigate the evacuation of Winchester and Martinsburg, organized to-day. It was composed of Major Gens. Banks, Abercrombie and Dorusy, Capt. H. N. Scott, Judge Advocate.

From New Orleans.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The steamer Evening Star, from New Orleans the 9th, has arrived. There is nothing important in the papers.

The America sailed this noon for Bremen, with $80,000 in specie.

The steamer Morning Star sailed this afternoon for New Orleans, taking a large number of the officers and troops recently in the Teche country, and many of the New Orleans *Era*, and many citizen of Eastern and New York regiments.

United States Christian Commission Meeting.

SARATOGA, Aug. 14.—A very large meeting was held in the Christian Commission this morning. A collection of nearly $500 was taken up. The collection for ice, yesterday, was increased to nearly $1,000 before last night. One gentleman at the United States Hotel gave $500, and another $250.

A Calamity—Robbery by Guerillas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., August 13.—The female prison in this place fell, on Thursday morning, burying eleven women beneath the ruins. Six were taken out slightly injured, one mortally, and four killed.

The mill owners and passengers were robbed by guerillas this morning, near the Big Blue, between this place and Independence.

The Proposed Mounted Force for Tennessee.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The N. Y. *Tribune's* Washington dispatch says: "Prominent Western men, among them Gov. Tod, called on the President yesterday, and urged the immediate organization of a mounted force to operate in Tennessee. The interview was renewed to-day. The greater importance is attached to the expedition, as Gen. Rosecrans deems such a force essential to the success of his future operations."

Political.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 15.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee, of the National Democratic Committee, held at Newport, to-day, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That a meeting of the National Democratic Committee is called at the St. Nicholas Hotel, New York, on Monday, September 7th, 1863, at noon, for the purpose of fixing the time and place for holding the next National Democratic Convention, and take into consideration such other matters of interest as will properly come before the Convention.

The Colored Troops.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The New York *Tribune's* Washington dispatch says: "The number of colored troops actually in the field is between 20,000 and 25,000. Fifty additional regiments are partially organized and rapidly approaching completion. The estimate of 100,000 being in arms by fall will, it is thought, be fully sustained.

Death of a Union General.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 15.—Brig. Gen. Thomas Welch, commanding the 1st Division of the 9th Army Corps, died in this city last night, of congestive fever, acquired during the campaign in Mississippi.

WAR GAZETTE.

The Iowa Volunteers Allowed to Vote

GENERAL ORDERS—NO. 329.

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, Aug. 7, 1863.

By act of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, approved September 11, 1862, the right to vote at all public State officers is given to volunteers or soldiers from that State in the military service of the United States, and provision is made for the appointment of one Commissioner to each Congressional district, who shall receive the votes of such soldiers, and transmit the same to the Secretary of State, to be counted and canvassed in the same manner as votes given by citizens at the general election. The Governor of the State of Iowa has appointed Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of said act, and has furnished them with proper facilities for visiting the camps of Iowa troops in the field, and for receiving votes from them. The Commissioners have been duly commissioned by the Governor of Iowa, and have been furnished with the necessary blanks and instructions for the conduct of the election. They have been directed to visit the camps of Iowa troops in the field, and to receive the votes of such troops as may desire to vote. The Commissioners will be furnished with transportation and subsistence, when necessary, in the discharge of their duties.

By order of the Secretary of War:

E. D. TOWNSEND, A. A. General.

New Advertisements.

Wanted.

WANTED—A Wagon.

WANTED—A young or old man to assist in the store and attend to the office. Apply at 181 Randolph street.

WANTED—Confectioners.

WANTED—A Gentleman

WANTED—A Good Blank Book binder and Ruler.

WANTED—A PARTNER.

WANTED—By a young man, a position in a wholesale or retail dry goods establishment. Address, stating salary, etc., Box 5924.

WANTED—A Gentleman with a Horse and Buggy to travel for a wholesale house. Address W. J. P., Box 5924.

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NATIONAL 5-20 LOAN.

We shall continue for a brief period to receive subscriptions AT PAR for the

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The Following is a List of first-class Wholesale Business Houses in Chicago:

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CROCKERY

Chicago Tribune.

MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 1863.

JAMES LARMON'S TREASON.

We print herewith the text of the letter of James Larmon, of this city, to Jeff. Davis, dated January 14th, 1861. In it the infamous treason of the writer is confessed. We leave Mr. Larmon to the punishment of the loyal community whose patriotism he has outraged, and whose dearest interests he would have betrayed; and we care not how severe that punishment is, so that it is within the obligations that all good citizens owe to the law. We decline companionship with him in church or society, to pass him in the street as one would pass a convicted felon, to refuse to deal with him, and to speak his name only with signs of contempt and execration,—these are the least manifestations of public displeasure, than he, knowing his own criminality, can expect. Under a government less lenient to traitors than ours, he would be arrested and made to expiate a portion of his offense within the walls of a prison, thankful, if, after the war, which he helped to incite, is over, he should be permitted to make his way back South to the companionship of others like him, without the loss of his head. What this Government will do, we do not care to ask. The District Attorney may be able to tell.

Mr. Larmon is the type and representative of a class to whom treason in the North owes much of its activity and strength. Poor white folks in the slave States where they were born, but little superior in education and accomplishments to the "niggers" among whom they were raised, and whose dialect they have borrowed; living for no higher purpose than accumulating money; wishing for money only that they may be able to buy human beings, whose province it shall be to work without pay; unacquainted with the true theory upon which all just governments rest; incapable of observing the workings of the principle of freedom which prevails at the North—these men are the creatures who have been and are yet doing in our midst a large share of the work of the dirty work. They are the spies and informers. They are the founders of secret and disloyal societies. They are the organizers of the opposition that the Government encounters. They are the fomenters of the discord by which the North is [illegible] in search of the [illegible] fortunes which the practice of [illegible] and its invariable concomitants [illegible] them at home, they are the worst enemies of the people whose favors they and whose good opinion they chase. They stand on the street corners to [illegible] and sneer at Northern courage. Their mouths are full of the gabble about Northern "gentlemen"—gentlemen whose rest on the fact that they live by "nigger" women and children of daily bread. They are the ones who when misfortune overtakes the Union and can scarce conceal their mortification when their friends, the robbers and murderers, endure defeat. But versed by half lawyers of like nativity and more civilization, they have [illegible] control of the Democratic party; and the disloyalty of the North, ripe enough and bitter enough but not dangerous, is at much work as the result of the blind and partisanship by which a fraction of the people are torn. They are "Democrats." Mr. Larmon is a Democrat, Gov. Brodhead is a "Democrat," Brodhead is a "Democrat." To consign them to the fields they are earning, and send them to where they belong, or to teach them that politics, and make them more than citizens and better men, will be the reason of this war, and of the victory now near at hand.

WHAT THEY WANT.

The enemies of the Government are bitterly pissed at the progress made by the past six months. They gnash their teeth in bitterness as they recall the *palmy days of Buell* and curse the later supersession of Grant and Rosecrans, who have by dint of heavy fighting opened the Southwestern wing of the [illegible] cracked and shattered affair. This is a cause of bitter grief to the plotters with the rebellion. Charleston and Mobile will fall and with the last hope of the slaveocracy. There will be then, as there has begun to be now, a rapid decrease among the Northern helpers of Jeff. Davis. They will burn up their record, fumigate their garments to destroy the scent of complicity with treason, and come out as pacificators on the ground of magnanimity. "We have been; now let us hasten to them olive branch." All the beautiful [illegible] of Peace will be prostituted to [illegible] the stage property of the acrobats of nature-men of Copperheadism.

In the first instance, their mission will be sure, because the madness of the South to accredit them as their intercessors rebels will not ask for a return to the [illegible]. They will fight to the last. The [illegible] to be forged anew between the [illegible] will find their material in the South among the unwilling instruments of the [illegible] rebellion, the people oppressed and [illegible] by the rebel leaders into aiding their schemes, and when these men come out from their prison house the first objects of their denunciation will be the Northern fools and abettors of treason.

The mission of these peace men will also be a failure, in that it will seek to accomplish too much. It will contemplate returning the ripened fruit of the rebellion back into its parent blossom and bud, resolving it back into its elements as if it had not been. This is impossible, from the nature of things. As well turn back the wheels of the seasons, and bid the ripened grain become again the tender blade, or the nest in the hand of the sower. The seeds gathered from the fierce trampling floor of the rebellion, has been long ripening. It is as old as the history of Oppression itself. It has always been reaped in the path of the Oppressor.

Any plan for reconstruction that contemplates ignoring the cause, in the great prison house of Slavery must fail. Any measure which is designed to overlook the existing fact of the great and growing army of freedmen, under the Presidential Proclamation, will come bitterly to want. To send the hungry slave drivers helter-skelter through the ranks of these helpless ones that have proven themselves everywhere loyal, and have gathered trustingly under the folds of the flag, is a blessing only Copperheadism could attain, and which the whole people will spurn. Let there be no fear concerning the action of the Government in every case is safe and growing bolder in this war connected with the great moments that have struck the death blow to the rebellion. We do not yet believe the rebellion to be so dead that its actors are anything but savage. We are willing to accept their own phrase, and believe them undismayed, so long as that they will die fighting to the last ditch, have the chance of some time or other to re-organize it to foreign parts. But neither to safe politicians nor Copperhead plottings will be admitted, on any breadth of swerving from the good faith and fidelity owed by every loyal heart to the strongest panoply of the Government in this war. Every dirt connected to the proclamation of the Emancipation edict to emancipate slaves and arm freedmen, and every man who is at all prone to waver in the country, unduly cast aside to secure or to be coerced to serve the purposes of the go-between. Clear the mind of cobwebs of the North want repairs. What they are intending to seek to do not otherwise be repaired. Those to whom the [illegible] is deemed by the veritable loyal men will provoke against them.

THE JEFF. DAVIS CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters from James Larmon, of Chicago, and Buchanan, of Pennsylvania.

Below we print two more letters of the Jeff. Davis correspondence—one from James Larmon, of Chicago, and the other from John Brodhead, of Pennsylvania. They are printed from the originals. We may promise that we have several more of the same sort coming:

CHICAGO, Jan. 14th, 1861.

Hon. Jefferson Davis:

DEAR SIR: Though I have not the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with you, yet I hope you will do me the justice to think that I feel a great interest in the future of this nation. For the past fifty years it has guided the brightest hopes, not only of the American people, but of all mankind. That responsible station is about to be transferred to the fifteen Southern States. I will state a few facts as I think, rather than arguments.

These fifteen Southern States will secede. There will be no opposition by the Federal Government. Then if these fifteen States will adopt the present Federal Constitution, with such amendments as clearly define its spirit on slavery and the revenue laws. I know from your recent speeches that you can suggest with great ability such amendments. When the Southern States are established on this basis, THE INDIANA AND ALL THE STATES WHO WILL COME INTO THIS NEW CONFEDERACY. His greatness would then be established both at home and abroad. Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York would come in as soon thereafter as would be desirable.

What the South ought to do and can do, is first: Consolidate into the greatest nation that can be established on this continent. Then she can get at her convenience any surrounding country. Free trade and direct taxation is the true principles of government. By obtaining this point your nation should be taken in forming commercial treaties with England and France. Unlimited and Doug-las's amendments to the Constitution will do, but the opposition of the Republicans will keep them out of reach. The South will then get in their stead, perhaps, what is better.

The Republicans now think the South will slough off with all the political diseases that afflict the country, and will then leave them in the full enjoyment of all the vitality the nation has, whilst the retrace is the fact. The South will take with it all the true vital political forces of the country, leaving the North with its political diseases.

I think we have reached the point that if our present Government is to be continued at all, it must be reset up by the Southern States. The best men in the South should act and look to this end. Hon. Elijah Hise of Kentucky is the ablest available and reliable man in that State to enlist to reach such a result. I know him well, but have no evidence of his present opinions. I hope and think the Southern people will act with caution in all they do. If so, in a few weeks we shall have nothing to contend for in the North but the Republican platform, but few will fight for that. I am truly, JAMES LARMON.

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At one of these pic-nics held at Hickory Grove, Bond county, a few days since, Robt. Davis, esq., standing Democrat of those parts, and son of late Hon. James M. Davis, (Long Fin), a distinguished Whig politician in old times, made the most violent and treasonable speech I have ever read, and I learn it is one of a series of similar efforts made by the same person.

Those Democratic prints which have been decrying my statements as to the character of these meetings, and of the secret society among them known as the K. G. C., will please make a note of this speech. I publish it as a part of the record which I commenced during the session of the Constitutional Convention in this city, and which I mean to keep up as long as it seems to me necessary for the people to denounce. But to Mr. Davis' speech. It will be seen that six persons who were present at Bond, testify to the statements made in it:

BRIEF EXTRACT FROM A SPEECH OF ROBERT DAVIS, DELIVERED AT HICKORY GROVE, BOND COUNTY, ILL.

Mr. Davis said: Why is it that you are seeking and drilling and preparing for battle? Why are here with your shotguns and rifles on, ready for the fight? It is because you are oppressed, persecuted, and your dearest rights and liberties taken from you.

Lincoln is a tyrant, has perverted the Government, has set the South from the Union, has deluged the country in blood, and on the reins of liberty and has reared a most despicable dynasty.

All in authority under the President are only installed officers of Lincoln, and the Constitution of the United States.

Now is a powerful man. He took an oath to support the constitution of the United States, but broke it by his emancipation proclamation; broke it by his arbitrary arrests and imprisonment, and the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus; broke it by martial law in Kentucky, where no war exists, for the purpose of carrying elections by preventing Democratic voters from voting, for which purpose he sends deadlists to take possession of the polls and allow only such to vote as will support him and take an oath that he was an unconditional Union man, and swear to the administration oath, and broke it by trying to enforce most odious conscription act, in trying to drag 300,000 men into the service, and several thousand have been murdered.

Lincoln has also flooded the country with a set of infamous proclamations, but proclamation No. 1 is not only freed the negroes, given them even the right to fight in the United States service, but has made them equal to a white man, by ordering that if a white man kills a negro he shall be hung, and a negro for killing a white man. Now, a white man shall not receive positive answer that the war. If he is hung, a white man shall be hung in retaliation.

He has denied us free speech, suppressed newspapers, and banished not only men, but helpless women and children, to the South for trivial offenses.

After all the grievances of the last two years, which we have patiently endured, and which he has come to the finishing stroke. He will draw from the Southern States, by force and fraud, the next elections, prevent Democrats from voting, and with his military despotism for the purpose of his heroes, whatever may be the result of the people. Shall they have the 300,000 men? Who is ever ready to answer? I say, for one, I am.

Never, boys, never go, but fight at home. Arm, determine this cursed system of liberticide and despotism must be crushed, or the liberties of the United States are gone forever. Let us, then, be united, and stand by our rights, and if we are conquered, we will be conquered by numbers, and not by cowardice. Never give up the ship. Fight, boys, fight, and conquer or die. Conquer your manhood. Gallant boys, follow me, and Old Abe fight it out, and you are all right. We will get our rights from deep-grinding into destruction, and hounding around Government officials, you will come back to find your homes in ashes, and yourselves full of bullets. And I can do not take steps to prevent the accomplishment of this end. Shall you pay the cursed income service, and let you start up the Abolitionists have nothing to do but turn up our patriotic premium. Here did they get when the Democrats were in power? They kept filling the cup to us, now we will pour it to their lips, and they must drink it to the dregs; drink it until they fall dead.

In his conclusion: That his uncle, P. W. Davis, would speak when he was done, that he was in the wrong; that he was trying to be a War Democrat, which was impossible; that he was trying to be a war man and a Democrat, which was impossible, and he would be ashamed of his uncle's not to disturb his uncle, but if they did not like to hear him, to go home.

The Democrats are now on the ground, and listened to the above, to the best of our recollection: J. C. Cooksey, Edwin S. Rusk, Henry Hamilton, Robert Hamilton, M. Chest, Levi Hamsberger.

T. M. Davis spoke, but the crowd disturbed him, and he was glad to get off. Talked about Vallandigham, &c. They finally invited him to desist. He sat down amid the hurrahs, threats, &c., of lookers on.

Mr. Edwards made a short address, concluding by inviting them all to drill on the next Saturday

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THE CITY.

Gen. Logan's Great Speech.

Gen. John A. Logan's great Union speech, delivered in Chicago on the 10th inst., has been published in pamphlet form and may be obtained at this office. It will be sent by express at the rate of 20 per hundred copies. The merry must subsequently the order. Union Leagues and all loyal men throughout the State and the Northwest should have this great patriotic effort of the gallant fighting War Democrat who has proved his words that "his boys would bear their part to the gulf of Mexico." Diesitate the democrat who every house and among our brave boys in the army. Address,

TRIBUNE OFFICE, Chicago.

SUDDEN DEATH.—We regret to learn of the sudden death of Thomas A. Vint, late confounding clerk in the drug establishment of Messrs. Lord & Smith.

FOUND DEAD.—A middle aged man died on the in-train of the St. Louis and Alton railroad, Saturday evening. An inquest was held Sunday morning.

FOURTH WARD U. L. A.—The regular meeting of the 4th Ward U. L. A. will be held at the usual place on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The inauguration of officers will take place. An address may be expected.

RETURNING HOME.—The thirty-fourth Wisconsin regiment passed through this city early yesterday morning. They were three months men, numbered about 750, and will be mustered out at Milwaukee.

FIRE.—At 4 o'clock Saturday morning, the kitchen in the rear of a one-story dwelling situated between 22d Street and 23d Street, was discovered to be on fire. The steamer Economy extinguished the flames, but not without a damage of $50.

CHRISTEN'S HOME MADE BREAD.—H. W. Chester, 85 State street, is making an article of what he calls "Home Made Bread," which trying, we announce as good an article as can be found in this city, or anywhere else Try it.

☞ We would call the attention of our readers to the card published by Dr. Hunter, of New York, in another column of our issue of this day. The friends and patients of this gentleman will doubtless be gratified to learn that he purposes establishing a permanent branch office in this city.

BURGLARY.—On Thursday night, between 12 and 1 o'clock, somebody entered the house of Mr. Joseph Lehman, at 187 Jefferson street, and stole $110 in money and sundry articles of clothing. A warrant was issued by Police Justice McDonnell on Friday for the recovery of the property and the apprehension of the thief.

ELEGANT FLAG.—Colonel C. C. Marsh, of this city, late Colonel of the 20th Illinois regiment, has had a splendid silk flag manufactured at Tiffany's, New York, for Company E of that regiment. The following inscription has been placed upon the flag: "From Col. C. C. Marsh, to replace a flag worn out in service." It is a magnificent affair.

ACCIDENT.—A man named Brown, who keeps a fruit store under the Hamilton House, accidentally fell from an express wagon on Saturday evening, on Clark street, and was severely injured about the head and face. He was taken into a drug store under the Sherman House, and subsequently removed to his home. His injuries are not dangerous.

THE FIRST OF THE SEASON.—The first peaches of the season of the St. Jo. persuasion, reached this city on Saturday morning. A basket of the "Hale Early," from the orchard of Mr. Dickinson, was placed on our table by H. F. Stanley. The St. Jo. peach campaign may be said to be fairly open. We hear that the crop is very abundant, and of the most attractive character.

BOY LOST.—A little boy named William McCarley, came to this city two days ago from Belleville, Ill., expecting to meet his mother, but is as yet unable to find her. She is known to be in this city, stopping with her sister's family, whose name the boy cannot remember. The lad is at present at the Armory, where he will be kindly cared for until he finds his mother."

FOUND DROWNED.—On Saturday morning, at ten o'clock, the body of Eli Miles, Lombrook, a sailor belonging to the schooner Minnesota, was found in the water close to the vessel. Coroner Schmidt held an inquest, when it was ascertained that Wednesday night the sailor went on board and slept upon deck. He was last seen at two o'clock Thursday morning. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—An inquest was held Saturday afternoon upon the body of Wm. Williams, 9 years old, who was drowned in the stone quarries of the town of Cicero. This is the third case of this kind within ten days. The parents of this boy have before lost a child in those quarries. A person residing in that neighborhood says the children of the neighborhood are pretty much all drowned, and that the quarries are no longer dangerous.

A SINGULAR LADIES' CASE.—On Friday evening as Nathan Moss was sitting at the door of his Livery Stable Office, corner of Lasalle and Rhode streets, counting some money, a half-drunken Irish sailor named Henry Butler, staggered close up to him, snatched fifty dollars and made tracks down the street. He was promptly arrested, and upon examination at the Police Court Saturday morning, was held to bail at the Recorder's Court, in the sum of six hundred dollars.

MCVICKER'S THEATRE.—The Seven Sisters will continue for another week, which is announced as positively the last week it can be performed. No one place has ever attracted such a series of large audiences in Chicago. With the thermometer ranging from 80 to 95, the Theatre has been crowded nightly, and should we now have a cool spell, which we deserve, for it would hold the people who appear to think of nothing when cool weather comes, but the Seven Sisters. On Saturday next there is to be a Seven Sister Matinee, and we expect to see the Theatre crowded with children.

"THE GREAT REBELLION."—This splendid musical allegory and grand military spectacle which is announced to be presented at Bryan Hall, Tuesday evening August 24th, is in a forward state of preparation. The classes are fully formed, and composed of about 200 of the most respectable young ladies and gentlemen of our city. And Captain Brand and his Ellsworth Zouaves, who have kindly volunteered, will add largely to the success of the exhibition. The Secretary, commission and Soldiers' Home will reap a rich benefit therefrom; Mr. Hager having generously determined to donate one-half of the receipts to those patriotic institutions.

LARGE PAPER SALES.—Chicago is fast becoming the headquarters of the paper trade of the Northwest. On Saturday we recounted a heavy transaction by one of our older dealers, and now we are informed that the Rock River Paper Company has sold a bill of two thousand reams of printing paper to one concern in Missouri, amounting to considerably more than the transaction recorded on Saturday. This is a new house in Chicago, but we are gratified to learn that their trade is large and constantly increasing. Printers who have used their stock say that it is of excellent quality.

READING FOR THE SOLDIERS'.—We notice in the Soldiers' Home a spacious book-case, we put nearly empty. Will not those who have books or any general interest—religious, instructive or amusing, which they can spare, send them to the Soldiers' Home, No. 45 Randolph street? It will add greatly to the enjoyment of the boys, who are now confined to their beds by sickness or wounds, to be able to employ the time in reading, or to entertain their home most suspicious. If reading matter is found in their books, papers and magazines. What you deem unbecoming and valueless will be highly prized by those who have nothing to read.

A BUSINESS THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED OUT.—A railroad runner, who was at the Northwestern Depot, on Friday, mounted a channel boy, to "business" or route for a hotel. Both parties decided that the boy he should get through within his point a dollar more for the service. The boy [illegible] the money in hand, refused [illegible] to do nothing with which [illegible] the hotel. Either our [illegible] is not [illegible] that [illegible] runners [illegible] out of his commodity.

MEETING OF THE CENTURY COMMITTEE.

Organization and Preliminary Action.

The Committee of the Common Council appointed under the resolution of Ald. Chesebrough, and known as the "Enrolling Committee," met at the Council Chamber, Court House, on Saturday afternoon.

Present—Mayor Sherman and Ald. Comstock, Sheldon, Hottinger, Roberts, Ulrich, Bond, Aleckner and Gallup.

The Committee organized by electing Hon. Hooper the Mayor, permanent chairman, and Ald. Bond, clerk. After some informal discussion, touching the measure to be passed to obtain certain information desired, and upon which action is to be based, Ald. Roberts read the subjoined resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Enrollment created for the District under and by virtue of an act of Congress approved March 3d, 1863, and entitled "An act for enrolling and calling out the national forces, and for other purposes," be and they are hereby requested to meet at the Council Chamber, in order to examine and copy that portion of the enrollment list of this District which embraces the city, and to make a return thereof, together with the results this Committee to ascertain the correctness of the said list, and in case there should be found this Committee the number of men assigned by the Provost Marshal General of the United States to this District under the said act of Congress, and such other information as may be desirable touching the draft under said act.

Resolved, That a sub Committee of three, together with the Mayor, be appointed by the Chair to wait on the said Board of Enrollment, with the foregoing resolution, and receive their response thereto, and in case their resolution is complied with, to arrange with said Board all matters touching the duties of the said resolution.

The Mayor, in accordance with the second resolution, appointed the following named gentlemen as the committee to wait upon the Enrolling Board of this District: Ald. Roberts, South Division, Co-alsky, West Division, Hottinger, North Division.

On motion of Ald. Bond, the Mayor appointed a sub committee to prepare rules for the government of the General Committee Ald. Bond, Aleckner and Sheridan

The following resolution was adopted;

Resolved, That this Committee hold regular meetings at the Council Chamber on Saturday evenings of each week at 8 o'clock.

The Committee having no further business to transact at this meeting, then adjourned.

Chicago Museum.

NO. 2.

The Chicago Museum, in Kingsbury Hall, was opened to the public this morning, in connection with "Bixby's River Thames and Mirror of England." It is, we understand, proposed, in the future conduct of this establishment, to give a regular series of theatrical representations, which, with the wonders of the Museum itself, and the pictures in the splendid room which is to be devoted to the purposes of a picture gallery, will constitute the regular attractions of this novel place of instruction and amusement.

We have not yet had time to inspect half the curiosities in the collection of the Museum, but we have made time to examine the pictures, some of which are both rare and good, and most of them worth looking at. We are very glad that an attempt is being made to establish an Art Gallery in this city, and we shall be happy to render it every assistance in our power. It is a thing which we have been advocating more or less for the past six or eight months, and if it is properly managed, we have very little doubt about its success. It will be a great boon both to the citizens of Chicago, and to the people of the West generally, to have an opportunity of examining pictures by some of the best modern, and a few of the ancient artists. We have long felt it to be a want of the city, and the prospect of buying it so well supplied is very inspiriting. People generally have no idea of the value of art to civilization, nor the influence which it exercises over social life, and manners. It has, however, a very important influence, which can scarcely be overrated. The Roman Catholic Church understood this well enough, and took care to enlist music and painting, and sculpture—the "handmaids of the Church," as they were called, with the imagination and the human soul—to most profoundly affected, and thus prepared for the reception of divine truth. To this end, they adorned their noble monasteries, abbeys, and other religious houses, with the grandest creations of pictural art, and employed in the execution of these, the highest genius of the ages during which they were the masters of the world.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Certificates Granted to Teachers.

ELECTION OF A PRINCIPAL FOR SCAMMON SCHOOL.

The Board of Education met in special session, Saturday afternoon, at their rooms on Lasalle street, at the call of Vice-President Carpenter.

The following members were present: Pinto Carpenter, J. H. Foster, C. N. Holden, E. Prindiville, J. W. Sheahan, C. Wohl, L. Bronisato.

Mr. Wells, the Secretary of the Board, handed in the resignation of Miss Baldwin, of Newberry school, which upon motion was accepted.

The Committee on Examination of Teachers reported the awarding of teachers' certificates to the following persons, and recommended that the award be ratified: Malvina A. Gray, Annie A. Light, [illegible] Mary A. Smith, S. Lyon, Lucy R. Hawley, Mary J. Abbe, Mary B. Jones, Alice A. Stoddard, Mary E. Wright, Adele R. Woodward, Ellen L. Walker, Sarah L. Brown, Anna M. Livermore, M. Josephine Hudson, E. J. Bates, Nell M. Sprague, David H. Sherman, Levi H. Warren, H. F. Coe, R. B. Van Patten, Morton Culver, Silas Peabody, Clinton Rowell, Geo. W. T. Carpenter, Edward Hanford, Daniel D Fisher, A. S. Carpenter, S. T. Lockwood.

On motion of Mr. Holden, the awards were ratified.

Mr. Holden, from the same Committee, moved that Miss Jennie E. McLaren be transferred from the Foster to fill the vacancy in the High School, caused by her resignation, as is Scammon as candidates to fill the vacancy in said Scammon School, which the motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Board proceed to the election of a Principal to Scammon School, with the following result: H. H. Vanswoll, 5; Francis Hanford, 3. Mr. Vanswoll was declared elected.

It was necessary to elect a teacher to fill the position in School Number Twelve, occupied by Mr. Vanswoll, and Morton Culver was unanimously elected.

Mr. Sheahan offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the 6th mie of the Board of Education be amended as sets read as follows:

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These resolutions Mr. Sheahan moved to lay on the table until the next regular meeting. Carried.

The Chairman then nominated Mr. J. H Wicker, the recently elected member, to the position on the several committees filled by Mr. J. D. Ward, which nomination the Board confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Prindiville, the Board adjourned.

Scarcity of Labor—Inducements to Immigrants.

Never, probably, in the history of this country, has there been a time when all classes of labor were in greater demand, or better repaid, in this city and State, than at the present. The reasons are obvious: Our manufactories and workshops are full of business; our articles of trade and commerce are taxed to their utmost; the number of acres under cultivation have been increased, even this year. We are extending our railroads farther to the north and west; in other words, the towns here no idea of the value of art to civilization, nor the influence which it exercises over social life, and manners. It has, however, a very important influence, which can scarcely be overrated. The Roman Catholic Church understood this well enough, and took care to enlist music and painting, and sculpture—the "handmaids of the Church," as they were called, with the imagination and the human soul—to most profoundly affected, and thus prepared for the reception of divine truth. To this end, they adorned their noble monasteries, abbeys, and other religious houses, with the grandest creations of pictural art, and employed in the execution of these, the highest genius of the ages during which they were the masters of the world.

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Medical Purveyor's Department.

In these stirring times, when every department of the army is fully occupied, few are aware of the immensity of the business of the Medical Department. To Dr. J. B. Porter, (an old officer in this Department in the Army,) Medical Purveyor in this city, we are indebted for some facts concerning the business done here. Before giving the statistics, it is proper to state that an outfit for a regiment in the field, numbering nearly 1000 effectives, embraces all those articles under the head of surgical cases, hospital stores, instruments, books and stationery, bedding, hospital clothing, furniture and appliances, &c. Some estimate may be formed of the value of these outfits, from the fact that the cost of those given, in the first quarter shown below, was about $25,000. Since the first of July, and almost entirely since the 20th of August, 1863, the Medical Purveyor of this city has made the following issues, viz:

1863—THIRD QUARTER.

Outfits for Illinois regiments	3
Outfits of Wisconsin regiments	2
Outfits of Michigan regiments	1
Outfits of batteries of light artillery	1
Outfits of cavalry companies	1
Special requisitions for regiments	1
Issues to camps and hospitals	35
Total number of issues	44

1863—FOURTH QUARTER.

Outfits of Illinois regiments	14
Outfits of Wisconsin regiments	2
Outfits of light artillery batteries	1
Outfits of detachments	1
Special requisitions for regiments	1
Issues to camps and hospitals	28
Total number of issues	47

1863—FIRST QUARTER.

Outfits of regiments	6
Issues to light artillery batteries	1
Special requisitions for regiments	1
Issues to camps and hospitals	27
Total number of issues	35

1863—SECOND QUARTER.

Outfits of regiments	5
Issues to hospitals	2
Total number of issues	7

RECAPITULATION FOR THE YEAR.

Issues as outfits of regiments for the field	32
Issues to light artillery batteries	2
Issues to detachments	1
Issues to regiments on special requisition	4
Issues to camps and hospitals	70
Total number of issues during the year	109

Most of these issues comprised a large number of articles. Medical and hospital property was issued to camps and hospitals in Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota.

In addition to the duties of Purveyor, Dr. Porter has been Medical Director, and his duties have been no sinecure. He has the direction of the hospitals in Chicago and vicinity, examines and approves all certificates of whatever nature in the Medical Department, distributes the sick soldiers to the various hospitals, receives and makes reports of various kinds, &c., &c. Clerks and Stewards in the Medical Department are kept busy. The duties of a medical officer in charge of a hospital are arduous and too numerous to mention.

The office of the Medical Purveyor is at No. 100 State street. Dr. R. N. Isham is in charge of the military department of the Marine Hospital, and receives sick soldiers at all hours, particularly at night, providing them with food and other necessary comforts; afterwards the patients are distributed to the City General Hospital, in charge of Dr. Hall, and to Camp Douglas Hospital, in charge of Dr. Brown, Assistant Surgeon 65th Illinois regiment.

The Judson Bank of Ogdensburgh.

We have received the following communication from D. C. Judson, Ogdensburgh, from which it will be seen that the man referred to in our strictures of the 5th of August, was not D. C. Judson, as printed:

OGDENSBURGH, August 8, 1863.

Editors Chicago Tribune:

Your paper of the 5th, has an article charging me, by name, as President of the Judson Bank, with having fraudulently given a false representation. I am not, and never have been, President of the bank. On inquiry, I find that in the absence of both President and Cashier, the Teller made a remittance for a note due the bank, signing himself by the Cashier that no postage stamp for return postage was enclosed. Mr. Ballard & Co. (I suppose) should be persuaded that Messrs. Ballard & Co were simply mistaken in asserting that they enclosed a postage stamp, and that the Teller is solely making use of my name in the publication. It was not my fault that a bill remained on file enclosing return, and most unquestionably not on their envelope.

Your obedient servant, D. C. JUDSON.

REMARKS.—The principal cause of complaint in the article referred to was, not that the value of a postage stamp was retained, but that redemption was made, in part, in shinplasters issued by the village of Ogdensburg. There is a vicious demand for such changes in our manufactories, for workmen upon our railroads, upon our shipping, in the mines and the pineries.

Nor is this great want confined to the rougher sex. Good, reliable household help is very scarce. A few months ago, it was predicted by some that the wives and daughters of our soldiers would be left without means for subsistence, and be compelled to seek employment wherever they could find it. Copperheads urged this, indirectly to discourage enlistments. The facts are, that household help has never been so scarce, either in city or country, as during the past year. We venture the assertion that two hundred trusty, experienced girls or women, who would do housework at fair wages, could find good situations in families, at remunerative prices, within two days' time, if the heads of families can be assured of their good character and qualifications, and know where to find them.

Some weeks since the Young Men's Christian Association gave notice that they would receive applications from strangers coming to the city in quest of employment, and invited those wanting help to register their names and wants. There have had scores of applications they could not fill—especially for mechanics, farmers and girls at service—of the latter none apply for situations. The classes most abundant (and commercially speaking, a drug in every market,) are clerks for dry goods and grocery houses, clerks and students at law and medicine, any business almost that will keep them in the city without work. There is no demand for them here, and we do not solicit an increase. It is said there are portions of the over-crowded East that have even now a surplus, and that there are districts where both men and women have neither full employment nor remunerative wages. If this be so, let them come to Chicago at once, and let there be some concerted or definite arrangements made, so that those coming here may know where to find employment—some agent or mediator between the employer and the employed.

We are pleased to learn that Rev. E. B. Tuttle of this city, who was City Missionary at Baltimore during five years, has been invited to address the mechanics and laboring classes of that city, and other portions of the East, on the advantages presented by this State and city, at this time, to those who deem a change of location advisable. He leaves on this important mission this evening.

RISLEY'S RIVER THAMES AND MIRROR OF ENGLAND.—This pictorial illustration of "old Father Thames" will inaugurate the re-opening of "Kingsbury Hall" in connection with the new "Chicago Museum." The fame of this work has preceded its arrival, and the curiosity of our citizens will soon be gratified by its display before them.

We are desired to remind the public that this is the work of celebrated artists of the Royal Academy, London, in which city it was executed and first published on exhibition, where its fidelity to nature attracted the attention of the great Metropolis for over a year. The interest centered in the many historical scenes in and about London, will insure its being visited by old and young who can enjoy a view of scenes made familiar in legend and story.

"Westminster Abbey," "St. Paul's, the "Houses of Parliament," the "Queen's Palace," "Windsor Castle," and innumerable places of interest, are faithfully represented. The Hall has been put in order, thoroughly renovated, and richly embellished. From the efforts made by the proprietors to "deserve success," we confidently hope that they will "command it."

COME TO THE SOCIABLE.—On Monday evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, the Young Man's Christian Association will hold their regular sociable, in their rooms in the M. E. Church Block. Will all the clergymen and church members of this city unite with this excellent organization, and aid by their personal efforts and presence the object for which this Sociable is held—to surround the young men and women of this city, and particularly those who are strangers here, with correct social associations, and to establish a cheerful and affectionate oversight of their moral and religious welfare.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.—On Saturday afternoon, while an excursion party from this city were enjoying a pic nic at Cold Spring Grove, one of the party, a young man named James Montgomery, was accidentally shot by [illegible] The ball took effect in the right leg, shattering both bones in a frightful manner. The wound was properly dressed by a physician on the ground. The wounded man [illegible] at his own request taken to the City Hospital. His parents reside at 356 Rhode street.

The Bethel Cause in Chicago.

Editors Chicago Tribune:

In your correspondence published in yesterday morning's paper, in regard to a building, &c., does not place the subject before the public in a correct light. In regard to the new building for the N. M. S. S. and Bethel church, a large number of the friends of the Bethel cause engaged in the matter, and took enough, and that the law should be united in one building.

At a meeting was called, and the subject discussed, finally which meeting appointed a committee consisting of the undersigned, to confer with the Bethel committee of Chicago Relief and Aid Society, and see if we could agree on a plan to carry out the proposition. Before any conference was had with this committee, the Secretary of the Seaman's Friend Society, and the Chaplain, proposed the answer published with the signatures of the Bethel committee, which, in its concluding paragraph, calls for the [illegible] abstinence the proposition made by the Young Men's Christian Association. The proposition that the ministers and laymen of the churches supporting the Bethel cause here should have the privilege of recommending a Chaplain for this post, does not recognize the appointing power, and is consequently proper. The Young Men's Christian Association, holding the property in trust for the two purposes, does not certainly contemplate ignoring the Seaman's Friend Society, while the proposition to raise and disburse the money only intended to remove the disgrace from the Chicago churches which are annually reported deficient some $600 for the support of the Bethel cause in this city; all of which was intended to serve the best interests of the cause, not because of any hostility on the part of the Association to raise the money for the erection of a building which will be a credit to Chicago, without any aid from the Seaman's Friend Society.

In a note received by the S. F. Society have since several efforts to erect a building and have not many of them succeeded, which is a sad reflection, if the current expenses of the Society have not been met by the co-operating churches of Chicago into $600 per annum. Since the new No. 1 Sterling was built, as indicated in the correspondence referred to, it is very certain that the Seaman's Friend Society will not occupy it, with a small wooden structure not more than thirty by forty, have signally failed in their mission to preach the Gospel to seamen. Our position is the assertion is eminently calculated to cheer the hearts and invigorate the bodies of our worn and wounded veterans. Another fact is apparent, that such an array of good things can meet money. Our shipment involved the outlay of $9,000. Thanks to the benevolent and patriotic Northwest, the streams flow in, the barrel of meat wastes not, and the soldiers' blessings on the Commission and its donors still continue. E. W. Blatchford, Esq., the accomplished Treasurer of the Sanitary Commission, has now Crosby's Opera House, rescinding and enlarging the Soldiers' Home, for present emergencies and future wants. Success attend him. List of supplies in shipment sent down to Vicksburg last week:

2 0 tons ice, 1,000 bush. lemon syrup, 200 barrels corn starch, 1,000 bush. onions, 1,000 bush. dry apples, 1,000 cushions, 50 cadies green tea, 30 lb. Java coffee, 1,000 pounds sugar, 50 cases pickles, 30 barrels stock ale, 100 quarter barrels stock ale, 50 lb. F. barrels stock ale, 500 mosquito bars, 100 barrels pickles, 200 bbls. 236 pain-killer fare, and 3000 concentrated milk.

DISPLACING A SWITCH ON THE G. & C. U. R. R.—On the night of the 8th inst. two switches were displaced at Cortland station, causing a passenger train, containing sixty persons, to run into two cattle cars on a side track. Jacob Hoffman, a former switchman, was arrested and brought to the city on Saturday he had an examination before Justice A. D. Brown of Cortland, and was acquitted, without taking the evidence of the two principal witnesses for the people. Elliot Anthony conducted the case for the people and A. H. Kellogs of Syracuse for the prisoner.

THE EXCURSION TO ST. JOSEPH.—The excursion by the steamer Planet to St. Joseph, on Monday, the 24th inst., offers a rare chance to those who are prevented by the cares of business from devoting much time to the pursuit of pleasure, to spend a few hours away from the dust and bustle of the city, on the placid bosom of Lake Michigan. Many, doubtless, will avail themselves of the opportunity, and a good time may be expected. A good band will be in attendance. Tickets for the round trip only $3.00.

DINNER TO GEN. MCARTHUR.—The complimentary dinner to Brigadier General McArthur, will take place at the Briggs House, on Tuesday evening, August 18th, 1863, at half past seven o'clock. Friends of the General wishing to attend the dinner, will apply to the Committee on Tickets.

R. HARVEY,
A. H. BLANCHARD,
D. SPRAGUE,
C. MCFARLAND,
J. STEWART,
D. THATCHER,
Committee.

BILLIARDS.—The item we published several weeks since that the tax on billiard tables was reduced to five dollars, is thus treated by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue:

OFFICE INTERNAL REVENUE,
Washington, August 10, 1863.

Philip Wadsworth, Esq., Assessor 1st District Illinois, Chicago:

SIR—In reply to your letter of the 5th inst., I have to say no change has been made in this office in respect to the tax on billiard tables. You will therefore continue to assess them according to the instructions contained in form No. 61.

Yours respectfully,
JOS. J. LEWIS, Commissioner.

"No. 42." All billiard tables kept for hire, or sell as those kept for private use, are subject to an annual tax of $10.00 each, in addition to the license tax.

MARINE ASTRONOMICAL.—The following table shows the state of the weather for the week ending Aug. 15th, as kept by E. S. O'Hara, Apothecary and Pharmaceutist, No. 90 West Randolph street, corner of Canal street:

1863.	7 A. M.	12 M.	9 P. M.
Sunday, Aug. 9	Clear	Clear	Clear
Monday, " 10	"	"	"
Tuesday, " 11	"	"	"
Wednesday, " 12	"	"	"
Thursday, " 13	"	"	"
Friday, " 14	"	"	"
Saturday, " 15	"	"	"

A Card.

To the Editors of the Chicago Tribune:

Reports are freely circulated that I am selling my new maps of Chicago for less than the regular subscription price, $10.00. Now, in justice to myself, my patrons, and those who are waiting for the purpose of getting the maps at a reduced price, I will announce that it is entirely false. I neither have, nor shall I sell at anything less than my regular price, or I shall not publish a supplement hereafter, as I had contemplated.

Those will please this fact, and all interested will please subscribe at once. The publication will continue to go on without other sale or interruption. Those who have subscribed will find that it will not operate with the Western Boards at present. Any [illegible] to [illegible] the publication of this map will please call at my office, No. 100 State street, and [illegible] the matter. Those who have subscribed will please [illegible] the matter. Those who have subscribed will please [illegible] the matter. Those who have subscribed will please